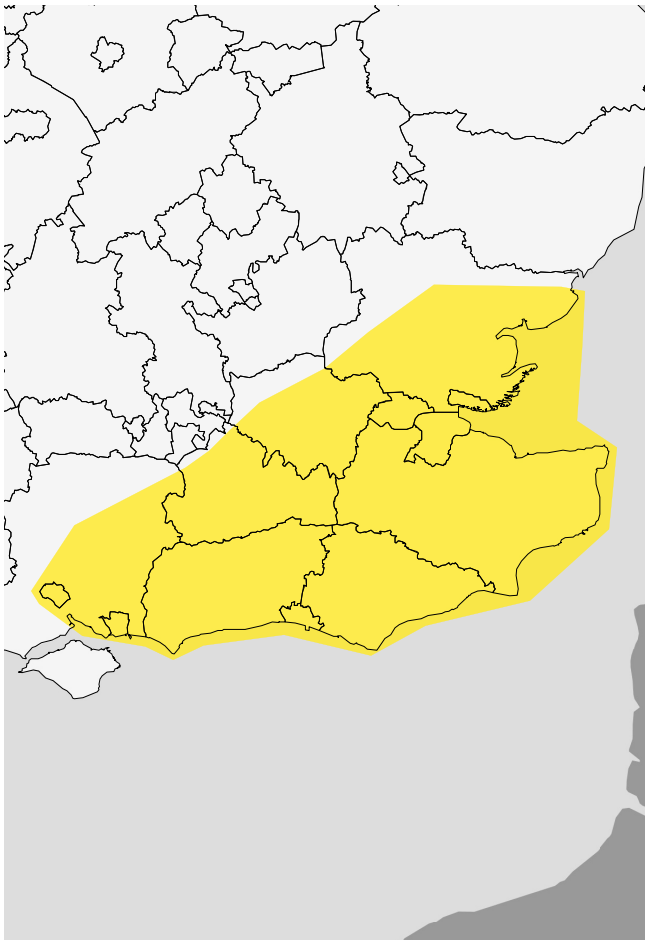
Yellow warning
Thunderstorm

Between
12:00 Wed 31 Jul 2024 and
23:59 Wed 31 Jul 2024



While many places will remain dry, there is a risk that a few places could see thunderstorms later today.

What to expect

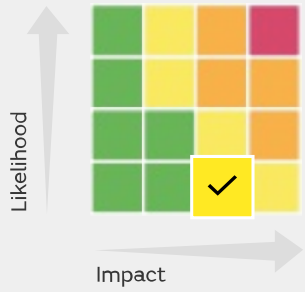
- There is a small chance that homes and businesses could be flooded quickly, with damage to some buildings from floodwater, lightning strikes, hail or strong winds
- Spray and sudden flooding could lead to difficult driving conditions and some road closures
- There is a small chance that some communities become cut off by flooded roads
- There is a slight chance that power cuts could occur and other services to some homes and businesses could be lost

Further details

Whilst many places will stay dry, a few thunderstorms are likely to break out on Wednesday. These are possible at any time, but become more likely during the afternoon and evening. Where these occur, 20 to 30 mm of rain is possible within an hour, and perhaps as much as 50 mm in two hours; the latter more likely across southeast England and parts of East Anglia during the evening. Lightning will be an additional hazard.

What should I do?

Consider if your location is at risk of flash flooding.



Very low likelihood of medium impacts

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If so, consider preparing a flood plan and an emergency flood kit.

Prepare to protect your property and people from injury. Before gusty winds arrive, check to ensure moveable objects or temporary structures are well secured. Items include; bins, garden furniture, trampolines, tents, gazebos, sheds, and fences.

Give yourself the best chance of avoiding delays by checking road conditions if driving, or bus and train timetables, amending your travel plans if necessary.

People cope better with power cuts when they have prepared for them in advance. It's easy to do; consider gathering torches and batteries, a mobile phone power pack and other essential items.

If you find yourself outside and hear thunder, protect yourself by finding a safe enclosed shelter (such as a car). Do not shelter under or near trees, or other structures which may be struck by lightning. If you are on an elevated area move to lower ground.

Be prepared for weather warnings to change quickly: when a weather warning is issued, the Met Office recommends staying up to date with the weather forecast in your area.

Reason for update

Update to headlines and to reduce extent of warning area.

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All regions & authorities affected

East of England

Essex Southend-on-Sea Thurrock

London & South East England

Brighton and Hove East Sussex Greater London Hampshire Kent Medway Portsmouth Southampton Surrey West Sussex

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